

Reading

The early morning shoppers and passers-by sandwiched themselves on the roadway at the front of the bank. Traffic proceeding up High Street came to an abrupt stop. Everyone was drawn to the scene like a magnet.

Mr. Wilson wormed his way through the crowd to get a glimpse of the commotion that had attracted the attentive onlookers. He had forgotten about reaching to work early. His principal had warned him to arrive before 8:00 am but his curiosity had gotten the better of his judgement.

As he neared the front, the inner circle formed a wall. Mr. Wilson was unstoppable. He quickly stooped, slipped between the legs of a gentleman and within moments he found himself lying in the centre of the ring.

The nimble Mr. Wilson stared up in disbelief. A figure completely covered in filth and tattered clothing stood gazing at him. The stench unbearable.

"Sir!" the voice called. "You don't know me? I am Rambo, a student who was in your class." Before Mr. Wilson could move, he found himself being embraced. The crowd became buried in silence.

"Teacher!" an old lady exclaimed, "Talk to your student. We're holding him for the police. He just stole a lady's bag."

Suddenly lights flashed. The next day Mr. Wilson was staring at himself on the front page of the Daily News. The headline read _____.

1. What two words from the passage are used to describe the composition of the crowd?
 - a) Shoppers and everyone
 - b) Mr. Wilson and Rambo
 - c) Shoppers and passers-by
 - d) Gentleman and onlookers
2. The word "attentive" in line 5 is an example of a/an?
 - a) Adjective
 - b) Nouns
 - c) Adverbs
 - d) Conjunction
3. The word "commotion" in line 4 means the same as:
 - a) Loud merriment
 - b) Quiet gathering
 - c) Extreme excitement
 - d) Noisy confusion

4. Mr. Wilson was described as "nimble" because:

- a) He was able to manoeuvre himself into the centre of the ring.
- b) He was able to lie down in the centre of the ring.
- c) He was interested in seeing what was happening at the centre of the ring.
- d) He was unstoppable and had to reach in the centre of the ring.

5. Why do you think the word "sandwiched" was used to describe the people on the roadway?

- a) Because they were standing very closely together.
- b) Because they were arranged in order of size.
- c) Because they were lined up neatly in rows along the roadway.
- d) Because they were spread out along the road.

6. Which of the following statements is Not True?

- a) Rambo was Mr. Wilson's student.
- b) Mr. Wilson's picture was in the Daily News.
- c) The crowd was lenient towards Rambo because he was homeless.
- d) Mr Wilson was late for school.

7. What words would you use to describe Mr. Wilson's reaction to Rambo?

- a) Shocked and amazed
- b) Surprised and pleased
- c) Disappointed and sad
- d) Worried and Afraid

8. What do you think the headline would Most Likely say?

- a) Rambo and Mr. Wilson
- b) Teacher Caught In The Middle
- c) Homeless Student Surprises Teacher
- d) Crowd Angry At Thief